CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

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Notice of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Scoping Meeting regarding

Development of Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins to add Beneficial Uses for Old Alamo Creek, Solano County

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Regional Board) staff will hold a CEQA scoping meeting to discuss the development of amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) to designate beneficial uses for Old Alamo Creek in Solano County.

Staff will be proposing for Regional Board consideration to designate the following beneficial uses for Old Alamo Creek: agricultural supply for irrigation and stock watering (AGR), industrial process supply (PRO), industrial service supply (IND), water contact recreation (REC1), non-contact water recreation (REC2), warm freshwater habitat (WARM), and wildlife habitat (WILD).

The workshop is scheduled as follows:

Date: 9 June 2004

Time: 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Place: City of Vacaville's Easterly Wastewater Treatment Plant

6040 Vaca Station Road Elmira, CA 96525

Who Should Attend: Public and private land owners, county officials in charge of land use and storm water management, federal, state, and local regulators and water management officials, environmental groups, and other groups or individuals interested in beneficial uses for Old Alamo Creek.

The Regional Board is the lead state agency charged with the protection of water quality in the Central Valley. The Regional Board's Basin Plan identifies beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives and contains programs of implementation to meet those water quality objectives. The Regional Board goes through a formal public process to amend its Basin Plan.

This workshop will provide participants with: 1) an opportunity to comment on the appropriate scope and content of the "functionally equivalent" environmental document to be prepared pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); 2) an opportunity to comment on the scope of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan; 3) an overview of the proposed Basin Plan Amendment; and 4) an opportunity to hear presentations from interested parties on the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan. Members of the Regional Board may be in attendance at the public

workshop, however, no action will be taken on the proposed amendments to the Basin Plan at this workshop. All comments will be included in the final administrative record. Following the workshop, staff will review comments received and prepare responses and a draft staff report for public comment. Regional Board consideration of the proposed amendment is expected in Winter or Spring 2005.

Questions regarding this issue should be directed to Betty Yee at (916) 464-4643 or YeeB@rb5s.swrcb.ca.gov or to Elizabeth Thayer at (916) 464-4671 or ThayerB@rb5s.swrcb.ca.gov. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Yee at (916) 464-4643 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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